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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled ADAPTIVE OPTICAL TRANSPONDER, the specification of which:

- ☐ is attached hereto.
☒ was filed on February 27, 2004 as Application Serial No. _____ and was amended on _____.
☐ was described and claimed in PCT International Application No. _____ filed on _____ and as amended under PCT Article 19 on _____.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose all information I know to be material to patentability in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

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<u>U.S. Serial No.</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>	<u>Status</u>
60/449,865	February 27, 2003	Pending

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<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No.</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>	<u>Priority Claimed</u>
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